

ROOP

ATTENDED CONFERENCE TODAY CONCERNING OPERATION OF MESS AT YOUR BUREAU. ALL CONCERNED ANXIOUS TO SOLVE PROBLEM. HOWEVER, FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION, AND BEFORE DECISION CAN BE REACHED, NEED INFORMATION ON FOLLOWING POINTS. AIRMAIL SOONEST AND ANSWER IN COMPLETE DETAIL:

ONE (A) ON WHAT SYSTEM IS MESS NOW OPERATING?

(B) HOW MANY EMPLOYEES ARE WORKING IN IT?

(C) WHAT SALARIES DO THEY RECEIVE?

(D) HOW MANY EMPLOYEES USE MESS?

(E) WHAT IS TOTAL COST OF MESS TO EACH EMPLOYEE?

(F) EXPLAIN IN DETAIL SERVICES PROVIDED BY MESS.

INCLUDE NUMBER OF MEALS PER EMPLOYEE EACH DAY, METHOD OF FEEDING EMPLOYEES ON LATE SHIFTS, AND OTHER FACTS THAT WILL AID IN PRESENTATION OF THE CASE.

(G) HOW IS PURCHASE OF FOOD AND SUPPLIES HANDLED?

TWO EXPLAIN IN DETAIL WHY IT IS IMPRACTICAL FOR EMPLOYEES TO EAT AT PUBLIC EATING PLACES. INCLUDE DISTANCE AND TRANSPORTATION INVOLVED, MAN HOURS THAT WOULD BE LOST AND OTHER FACTS THAT YOU CONSIDER PERTINENT.

THREE

(A) HOW MANY EMPLOYEES WITHOUT DEPENDENTS WITH THEM RESIDE AT THE BUREAU?

(B) WHY DO NOT ALL USE THE MESS?

(C) COULD SUCH EMPLOYEES BE PERSUADED TO VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATE?

TWO

FOUR. GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS ON YOUR ESTIMATE OF HOW MESS  
COULD BE OPERATED FINANCIALLY. CONSIDER:

(A) COULD IT BE OPERATED WITHOUT FINANCIAL LOSS TO  
GOVERNMENT?

(B) COULD IT OPERATE WITHOUT EXCESSIVE COST TO PARTICIPATING  
MEMBERS?

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